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Socio-economic Variables: A Contributing Factor for Adolescent's Personality Development

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ABSTRACT The present investigation was aimed at comparing the personalities of adolescents on the basis of socio-economic variables. Multidimensional Assessment of Personality Series (MAP Series Form-T) form for Teens had been used for the said purpose. The Test contained 20 dimensions and 7 items for each dimension to objectively assess the personality of adolescents. A list of adolescents of urban disorganized families was prepared from five randomly selected city schools of Hisar city. A sample of 45 urban respondents was randomly selected from the prepared list. Following the same procedure, a sample of 45 rural adolescents was taken from the list of adolescents of rural disorganized families of purposively selected villages of Hisar-I block. Personality was compared against family's monthly income, educational level of parents and caste of the respondents. The findings indicated significant differences in personality of adolescents on the basis of said variables. Furthermore, there were significant differences between maturity, mental health, self-control, self-sufficiency and tension level of adolescents from different casts. Moreover, adolescents on the basis of family income and parental education differed significantly on their boldness, guilt proneness, leadership, maturity, mental health, self-control, self-sufficiency and tension level.